

What's Happening Wednesday

Kansas Immunization Program



VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant for September 11th thru 22nd is Jayme Lewis at (Jayme.Lewis@ks.gov) or by calling 785-296-5592



September 13, 2017

Chief Chat— Publically funded seasonal influenza vaccine is now arriving in provider offices and will continue to arrive until orders have been fulfilled. As a reminder, the vaccine is being distributed proportionately as the Kansas Immunization Program (KIP) allocations are made available from CDC. If you are a larger provider and do not have adequate capacity for your full order or you are reaching storage capacity at any time, please immediately notify KIP so your upcoming orders may be delayed for you. Notification should be sent to kdhe.vaccines@ks.gov and Barry will contact you to arrange for a delayed shipment. We know this situation may occur of you have planned for a mass distribution clinic later in the season.



Most Vaccines For Children (VFC) providers should have received the new data loggers by this time as well as the refrigerator and freezer labels. Please refer to the [memo](#) that was emailed in the special alert as well as mailed with the labels for the required next steps. All training information and additional tools for use with the data logger monitoring system are available on the special [data logger page of the KIP website](#). If you have any questions, please contact your [Regional Immunization Coordinator](#).

We would also like to call your attention to the fact that each VFC provider is required to maintain a backup thermometer with a calibration certificate on site at all times. While this back-up is not required to be a digital data logger, we have arranged for VFC providers to purchase the same data loggers we are providing directly from the manufacturer at our contracted price of \$99.00. These data loggers are certified for three years. The data loggers for the refrigerator are different than the ones for the freezer, so if you choose to use this as your back-up, you will need to purchase both units. Purchases are made directly with Berlinger by contacting Jim Lawrence at 508-366-0084 or jim.lawrence@berlinger.com. Be sure to state you are enrolled in the Kansas VFC program, request the contracted rate and specify if you are purchasing the refrigerator or freezer unit or both.



We would like to congratulate the Pratt Regional Medical Center (PRMC) for being added to the Immunize Action Coalition (IAC) Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll. PRMC joins South Central Regional Medical (Arkansas City) and Nemaha Valley Community Hospital (Seneca) on the 2016 list. Nemaha Valley Community Hospital was also on the list in 2015. Ten birthing hospitals in Kansas have been awarded this honor since 2014. The Honor Roll now includes 356 birthing institutions from 39 states, Puerto Rico, and Guam. To be included in the Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll, a birthing institution must have: (1) reported a coverage rate of 90 percent or greater over a 12-month period for administering hepatitis B vaccine before hospital discharge to all newborns, including those whose parents refuse vaccination, and (2) implemented specific written policies, procedures, and protocols to protect all newborns from hepatitis B virus infection prior to hospital discharge. Please visit the [IAC Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll website](#) for more information, resources or to apply.

Have a great week and thank you for all you do each day to immunize Kansans!

Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention

VFC Question of the Week–



Q: I have received my KIP data loggers what do I do next?

1. By now the special alert, instructions, and storage unit labels should have arrived at the clinic by mail. You will need to assign a name to each of your vaccine storage units. If you have more than one refrigerator or freezer, you will need to decide which unit will be RA, RB, RC, etc. (for refrigerators) and FA, FB, FC, etc. (for freezer units).
2. Once you have named your units, you need to label your data logger accordingly (RA, RB, RC, or FA, FB, FC). Label your data logger with a permanent marker. Make sure to print your Celsius temperature logs from the KIP datalogger website at: http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/datalogger_information.htm
3. You will then need to contact your Regional Immunization Consultant and provide the serial number to each of the data loggers and the corresponding vaccine storage unit name.
4. Hopefully, you have reviewed the data logger instructional videos. The data loggers will need to be set up according to the instructions. Be sure to set the temperature format of each unit to Celsius. (Please contact your IT department if you are having trouble opening the videos.)
5. Let your Regional Immunization Consultant know as soon as possible if you are having any problems with the data loggers.

For more information, see our Special Alert dated 8/31/2017 at: http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/download/special_alerts/Data_Logger_Special_Alert.pdf or visit the Data Logger page on Kansas Immunization Program website at: http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/datalogger_information.htm

DID YOU KNOW?

All VFC providers should begin reporting their temperature readings in Celsius. On page 66 of the Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit you will find a conversion table to help you adjust to this change. The Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit is located at: <http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/storage.htm>

Kansas Immunization Redistribution List for Public Vaccine-

The Kansas Immunization Program administers a Redistribution list for PUBLIC vaccine. This can be a valuable resource if you do not expect to use all of your stock before expiration, or if you've used more than expected would like to acquire additional stock before the next order period. For more information on the Redistribution List, please visit our [website](#) or contact Barry Magner at Barry.Magner@ks.gov

2017-18 Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Season Begins in October

The 2017-2018 Influenza-like Illness Outpatient Network (ILINet) surveillance season will begin on October 1, 2017. Family practice clinics, pediatric clinics, student health centers, and emergency departments are encouraged to participate. Surveillance includes weekly reporting of the number of patients who meet the influenza-like illness case definition – symptoms include a fever ($\geq 100^{\circ}\text{F}$) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat – along with the total number of patients seen that week for any reason. Participating sites are asked to submit one specimen per week to the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratory for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing. A subset of these specimens are sent to CDC for antigenic characterization and antiviral resistance testing. This is important to determine if the viruses circulating in Kansas are matching the vaccine components and if they are susceptible to antiviral medications. If you know of a facility who would be willing to participate in this surveillance, please contact Amie Worthington at amie.worthington@ks.gov or (785) 296-2898.

Aggregate Inventory Training

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs every Monday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 10:30a-11:30a. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation submission, Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ**

Aggregate (HL-7) Users Only!

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Direct Entry Inventory Training

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs every Tuesday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand screen, Reconciliation submission, and Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry**

Users Only!

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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New User Training

The New User Training occurs every Thursday from 2p-3p, and the second Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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School Module Training

The School Module Training occurs on the third Friday of every month from 9a-10a. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use the KSWebIZ School Module. We will be going over log-in, adding history, education, and printing reports. Please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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Reports Training

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports module. We will be going over the most often used reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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Pharmacy Training

The Pharmacy Training occurs every Monday from 10a-11a and every Wednesday from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ pharmacy users that are new or would like a simplified refresher training on how to report immunizations to the state registry in compliance with statute KSA65-1635a. The training will consist of, logging-in, searching a patient, updating patient demographics, and adding immunizations. Please take the time to attend this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Pharmacy Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7882741178298559746>

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	12/2/16	Polio	7/20/16
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	4/11/17
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/09/16	Yellow fever	3/30/11

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
 - 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
 - 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
 - 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
 - 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
 - 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes.
 - 7) The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
 - 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
 - 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
 - 10) Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.
- For questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.